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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT WITH RCE APPLICATION IN RESPONSE TO REPORT DATED SEPTEMBER 8, 2005 AMENDMENTS AND REMARKS

March 3, 2006

## VIA COURIER

The Commissioner of Patents
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Randolph Building
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## Dear Sir:

In response to the outstanding Final Official Action dated September 8, 2005, and due for response December 8, 2005, Applicant is filing herewith an RCE Continuing Application and the necessary fee of \$395.00 U.S. funds for a small entity. The preliminary amendment includes 1 additional independent claims beyond the 3 allowed and 8 total claims beyond the 20 allowed. These amendments are reflected in the total fees calculation.

Applicant also encloses herewith a Request for a three month extension of time along with the fee for a small entity of \$510.00 U.S. funds making this response due March 8, 2006. If there is any

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deficiency or surplusage of the required filing fee for the RCE or the fee enclosed for the Extension of Time, please obtain any such deficiency or credit the surplusage to Deposit Account 08-3255 and advise Applicants' Agent.

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